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1. HOLBROOKE TRIP

UPI (MANILA 4/18) REPORTS EA'S HOLBROOKE--FIRST TOP DOS
OFFICIAL UNDER CARTER ADMIN TO VISIT PHILS--TOURED CLARK/
SUBIC ALL DAY MONDAY. REPORTS HOLBROOKE SAID ON ARRIVAL
MANILA SUNDAY THAT HE HAD NOT COME TO RESUME NEGOTS ON NEW
MIL BASES TREATY BUT TO LEARN SITUATION; HOLBROOKE ADDED
THAT CARTER "FEELS STRONGLY ABOUT MAINTAINING CLOSE TIES"
WITH PHILS. BEFORE ENDING VISIT TUES, HOLBROOKE SCHEDULED
MEET PRES MARCOS/OTHER GOVT OFFICIALS.

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2. PHILIPPINES

REUTER (MANILA) REPORTS PEOPLE IN SW REGION APPEARED TUES
TO HAVE OVERWHELMINGLY REJECTED PLANS TO MERGE 13 PROVINCES
INTO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN EFFORT END 4-YR MOSLEM REBELLION.
CITES ELECTIONS COMMISSION STATEMENT THAT STILL INCOMPLETE

RESULTS OF SUNDAY REFERENDUM SHOW TREND OF MORE THAN 90 PCT VOTERS IN SOME AREAS REJECTING PLAN. SIMILAR PICTURE REFLECTED IN EARLIER STORIES (AP, CHITRIB, NYT; WSJ).

3. NEW ZEALAND

IN 4/19 SPEECH TO AUCKLAND BUSINESSMEN DEVOTED ENTIRELY TO PRES CARTER, MULDOON ACCUSED CARTER OF CAUSING CONSTERNATION/CONFUSION WITH HIS FOPOLICY; SAID PRES APPEARS WORKING TO EXTEND HIS DOMESTIC POPULARITY AT EXPENSE INTL RELS. CONTENTED THERE IS "UNEASINESS" IN WORLD CAPITALS SINCE PRES "ANGERED" JAPANESE WITH PLEDGE TO WITHDRAW US FORCES FROM SK, AND SPREAD CONSIDERABLE ALARM WITH TALK OF NEUTRALIZING INDIAN OCEAN.

PM NOTED CARTER'S REMARKS ABOUT SOVIET (ON HUMAN RTS/ARMS LIMITATION) PRODUCED INEVITABLE REBUFF. SAID MAY BE THAT PRES "HAD THOUGHT THIS THING THROUGH," KNEW REBUFF WOULD COME/ACCEPTED IT AS PART OF LONGER-TERM STRATEGY, KNOWING IT WOULD CERTAINLY NOT BE END OF NEGOTIATIONS--BUT THIS WOULD INDICATE "POLITICAL DEVIOUSNESS" NOT YET ESTABLISHED AS PART OF CARTER ARMORY, WHILE ALTERNATIVE THAT PRES DID NOT EXPECT SOVIET REBUFF WOULD INDICATE "SOME DEGREE OF NAIVETE" (REUTER AUCKLAND).

4. CODEL WOLFF

IN MANILA, REP WOLFF (D-NY) TOLD PRESS TUES THAT VN SHOULD GUARANTEE TO US THAT IT WILL NOT USE CAPTURED US WEAPONS
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IN AGGRESSIVE MANNER VS SEA NEIGHBORS AS PRELUDE FOR BILATERAL TALKS. ADDED THAT SMALL AMOUNT US WEAPONRY REPORTEDLY FOUND IN CERTAIN SECTIONS THAI-MALAYSIAN BORDER (REUTER MANILA).

5. INDOCHINA

IENG SARY SAYS CAMBODIA SHOULD BE ABLE PROVIDE ENOUGH FOOD FOR ITS PEOPLE THIS YR (WP). IN 2ND ANNIVERSARY SPEECH, KHIEU SAMPHAN STATES CHILDREN JOINED WORKERS/BUFFALO IN TRANSFORMING NATION INTO VAST WORK CAMP. MAKES NO REFERENCE TO STARVATION/DISEASE/WIDESPREAD EXECUTIONS, BUT ADMITS COUNTRY "SUFFERED UNTOLD DIFFICULTIES" SINCE COMMUNIST VICTORY. ADDS PEOPLE GET ENOUGH TO EAT/MALARIA MUCH LESS OF PROBLEM; POINTS OUT ACHIEVEMENTS DUE STRENGTH OF PEOPLE, NOT MACHINES (AP NYT, SUN). KHMER LEADERS DRAW PICTURE PEACE/PROGRESS. REFUGEES ARRIVING THAILAND SAY HUNGER REIGNS (LAT 4/17).

PHINQ CARRIES AP PIC OF LAOTIAN CIVIL SERVANTS TAKING FOLK-DANCING BREAK DURING WORK ON IRRIGATION PROJECT NEAR VIENTIANE. CAPTION NOTES REGIME CALLS ON ALL CIVIL SERVANTS DONATE SATURDAYS TO PUBLIC-WORKS PROJECTS.

6. THAILAND/MALAYSIA

CMDRS OF JOINT RTG-GOM MIL DRIVE VS COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS IN S THAILAND SAY OPN WAS SUCCESS (WP).

7. KOREA

SK RC CHURCH DEMANDS REPEAL PRES PARK'S 1972 CONSTITUTION/1975 EMERGENCY DECREE THAT GAVE AUTHORITARIAN POWER/BANNED POL DISSENT. DECLARATION READ AT MEMORIAL MASS ON EVE ANNIVERSARY STUDENT-LED UPRISING THAT OVERTHREW SYNGMAN RHEE GOVT IN 1960 (AP, NYT; WP).
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8. JAPAN

MAINICHI SHUMBUN REPORT SAYS SINCE FEB, USSR TWICE SOUGHT PAYMENT SOME 10 MIL DOLS FROM GOJ AS COMPENSATION FOR JAPAN'S ACTION RE MIG25 FLOWN INTO JAPAN BY SOVIET DEFECTOR LAST SEPT. SOVIETS ALLEGE JET'S MIL SECRETS LEAKED TO WEST. FON MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAYS JAPAN HAS NO INTENTION COMPLYING W/MOSCOW'S REQUEST (REUTER TOKYO).

MITI VICE-MIN FOR INTL AFFAIRS MASUDA LEFT FOR WASHINGTON 4/18 TO DISCUSS VOLUNTARY RESTRAINTS ON COLOR TV EXPORTS. TALKS FOLLOW TOKYO NEGOTS W/STRAUSS EARLIER THIS MO. SOME FORMULA FOR REGULATING EXPORTS TO US EXPECTED BE WORKED OUT (REUTER TOKYO 4/18).

TV-INDUSTRY LOBBY GROUP--"COMPACT"--SAID THURS IT WOULDN'T ACCEPT ANY AGREEMENT BETW CARTER ADMIN/JAPAN RE VOLUNTARY TV EXPORT CURBS (CDN 4/15).

SEVERAL HUNDRED THOUSAND JAPANESE CIVIL SERVANTS BEGIN 4-DAY STRIKE TO PRESS DEMANDS FOR HIGHER WAGES, CRIPPLING NATION'S TELEPHONE/POSTAL/TELEGRAPH SERVICES. RAILWAY WORKER UNIONS ALSO PLANNING 3-DAY WALKOUT BEGINNING MIDNITE 4/19 UNLESS MEDIATION ATTEMPTS PROVE SUCCESSFUL BEFORE THEN (REUTER TOKYO).

VISITING TOKYO, UK TRADE SEC DELL ATTACKED JAPAN'S TRADE SURPLUS/WARNED ITS POLICIES MUST CHANGE IN ORDER AVOID DESTRUCTION WORLD'S FREE TRADE STRUCTURE. DELL TOOK FIRM LINE/SAID ALTHOUGH UK DIDN'T EXPECT BALANCE PAYMENTS W/MA-

JOR TRADING PARTNERS, DID EXPECT "EQUAL TRADING OPPORTUNITIES," WHICH STRONGLY IMPLIED BRITAIN NOT GETTING FROM JAPAN. DELL MET MONDAY W/KEIDANREN TO DISCUSS OBSTACLES TO BRITISH TRADE. DETAILED STATEMENT ON TRADE ISSUED BY JAPANESE EMB LONDON SAID JAPAN "OBLIGED" RUN SURPLUS TRADE
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IN ORDER FINANCE IMPORT RAW MATERIALS, WHICH IT DESPERATELY LACKS (UNSWORTH, JOC; SAAR, WP).
EFFECTIVE 4/19, BANK OF JAPAN LOWERED OFFICIAL DISCOUNT RATE TO 5 PCT FROM CURRENT 6 PCT. BANK DIDN'T MENTION INTEREST RATES ON SAVINGS DEPOSITS/POSTAL SAVINGS, BUT BANKERS SAID SUCH REDUCTIONS WILL BE DECIDED 4/19 (WP).
MOVE MARKS 2ND SUCH REDUCTION IN LESS THAN 2 MOS (CULLISON, JOC).

DISCOUNT RATE REDUCTION SENT YEN LOWER/RAISED US DOLLAR VALUE AGAINST IT IN WILDLY FLUCTUATING MARKET MONDAY. BANK'S MOVE SUCCEEDED IN OFFSETTING UPWARD PRESSURE THAT MIGHT HAVE RESULTED FROM GOJ ANNOUNCEMENT 940 MIL DOL BOP SURPLUS IN MARCH (WELS, JOC; WSJ).

GOJ-FINANCED POWER REACTOR AND NUCLEAR FUEL CORP ANNOUNCES DEVELOPMENT SIMPLE, LOWCOST METHOD EXTRACT URANIUM FROM PHOSPHORIC ACID SOLUTION; CO PLANS BUILD PILOT PLANT THIS YR IN TOTTORI PREFECTURE (WSJ, WP).

9. GENERAL

MCARTHUR (LAT 4/17) REPORTS US DRUG EXPERTS AT BANGKOK REGIONAL CONF ENCOURAGED BY EFFORT SLOW SEA OPIUM PRODUCTION. MENTIONS DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENTS FROM US/UK/HK/NETHERLANDS/France NOW OPERATE TOGETHER IN BANGKOK. QUOTES AMB WHITEHOUSE THAT "INTERNATIONALIZATION" OF ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS ONE OF MOST SIGNIFICANT EVENTS 1976; NOTES GREATER THAI/BURMESE EFFORTS SHOW RESULTS.

AT OPENING SESSION 3-DAY UNESCO INTL CONF AT FLORENCE, TUNISIAN INFO SECY ACCUSES DEVELOPED NATIONS OF OPERATING WORLD INFO MONOPOLY IN DELIBERATE ATTEMPT DOMINATE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. TUNISIAN/INDONESIAN/PHIL PARTICIPANTS CITE EXAMPLES OF WHAT THEY SAY IS DISTORTED REPORTING BY W MEDIA OF EVENTS IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (REUTER FLORENCE
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4/18).

US SUPREME COURT AGREES DECIDE WHETHER FOREIGN NATIONS CAN SUE FOR TRIPLE DAMAGES WHEN ALLEGING THEY WERE VICTIMS OF ANTITRUST LAW VIOLATIONS BY US FIRMS. CASE INVOLVES SUIT BY INDIA/IRAN/PHILS/SVN VS 6 MAJOR US DRUG FIRMS; SUITS FILED BY FRG/COLOMBIA/PENDING; CLAIMS BY SK/SPAIN/KUWAIT HAVE BEEN W/DRAWN (AP, NYT).

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

10. CHINA

SFRC CHAIRMAN SPARKMAN SAYS HE THINKS IT "UNWISE AND UNNECESSARY" FOR US SEVER DEFENSE TREATY WITH TAIWAN; OPINES US/PRC "CAN BOTH LIVE COMFORTABLY ENOUGH FOR A WHILE LONGER WITH LIAISON OFFICES IN EACH OTHER'S CAPITALS WHICH, IN FACT, ARE EMBASSIES IN ALL BUT NAME." SEN MADE COMMENT 4/16 UPON ARRIVAL TAIPEI WITH 10-MEMBER CODEL, AFTER ATTENDING PARLIAMENTARY UNION CONFERENCE IN CANBERRA (AP TAIPEI, LAT 4/17).

FOLLOWING PRC VISIT, REP BRADEMAS CALLS FOR EXPANSION US-PRC TRADE/EDUCATIONA/CULTURAL/POL EXCHANGES, INCLUDING VISITS BY PRC CITIZENS TO US RELATIVES. ALSO SAID CODEL HAD "CANDID"/"ILLUMINATING DISCUSSIONS" WITH PRC LEADERS DURING 8-DAY TRIP (UPI WASHINGTON, NYT).

REUTER (WASHINGTON) CITES CODEL CO-CHAIRMAN, SEN SCHWEIKER, AS SAYING PRC COOL TOWARD EXPANDING TRADE UNLESS US CUTS TIES WITH TAIWAN, WHICH ALSO IS ITS NON-NEGOTIABLE CONDITION FOR NORMALIZING RELS. SAYS CHINESE GAVE IMPRESSION NOT OVERLY CONCERNED WITH US TRADE/TOLD GROUP, "YOU OWE US THAT DEBT" (REF TO ALLEGED NIXON ASSURANCES). SEN COMMENTED THAT WITH INCONCLUSIVE OUTCOME US-SOV TALKS, PRC VISIT COULD PUT SOVS ON NOTICE OTHER ROUTES FOR US TO GO.
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REUTER (NYDN), UPI'S DANILOFF (WP)ALL CARRY SCHWEIKER COMMENTS THAT PRC WANTS ALL NUKE WEAPONS DESTROYED/INSISTS ON RIGHT TEST NUKES, SINCE OTHERS POSSESS WEAPONS. SEN SAID HE URGED CHINESE STUDY WEATHER CONDITIONS MORE CLOSELY BEFORE TESTING, BUT PRC APPEARED HAVE TROUBLE GRASPING POINT/SEEMED SURPRISED BY REQUEST.

CDN (4/15) PREDICTS REBOUND IN US-PRC TRADE UNDER LEADERSHIP CHINESE PRAGMATICS IN POST-MAO ERA. NOTES CHICAGO AREA COMPANIES DOING BUSINESS WITH PRC/BUSINESSMEN ATTEND CANTON TRADE FAIR. SAYS POLITICALLY, PRC WAITING SEE HOW CARTER ADMIN PICKS UP WHERE OTHERS LEFT OFF/WANTS US

MAKE GESTURE CONTINUED MOVES TOWARD NORMALIZATION. LISTS CURRENT TYPES PRC IMPORTS/ADDS UNFORTUNATELY CHINESE TEND VIEW ECON SELF-RELIANCE AS FACT OF LIFE/BUY ONLY WHAT THEY NEED.

11. JAPAN

SF-CHRON (4/11) PRAISES CARTER'S "IMPRESSIVE LIST" AMB NOMINATIONS; SAYS "MOST WELCOME" IS MANSFIELD. TERMS HIM "TOO VALUABLE A RESOURCE TO THIS NATION" TO BE ALLOWED SPEND YRS IN "HIS BELOVED BIG SKY COUNTRY."

JOC'S DREYER STATES TOKYO ROUND NEGOTIATORS EXPECTING NEW IMPETUS FROM LONDON ECON SUMMIT. SAYS UNTIL THEN, "NOTHING OF ANY SIGNIFICANCE" LIKELY HAPPEN IN CURRENT GATT "EXERCISE." NOTES ALL EYES WILL BE ON US SPEC TRADE

REP STRAUSS, AND TALKS COULD CONCEIVABLY EXTEND INTO 1979.

IN LENGTHY ARTICLE ON ENERGY, GLOBE'S ACKERMAN (4/17) MENTIONS JAPAN DETERMINED BUILD MUCH SELF-SUFFICIENCY AS POSSIBLE W/NUKE POWER, DUE FACT ITS TOTAL DEPENDENCE ON OUTSIDE OIL SUPPLY FOR ECON VIABILITY. CITES US-JAPAN UNCLASSIFIED

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DISPUTE OVER REPROCESSING, FACT SOME CARTER PLANNERS FEAR JAPAN MAY SOMEDAY WANT DEVELOP NUKE WEAPONS. ADDS US TROOP PULLOUT SK "LESSENS JAPANESE CONFIDENCE" IN MUTUAL DEFENSE PLEDGE.

12. JAPAN/KOREA

RET USMC COL/DETROIT NEWS COLUMNIST HEINL (4/1) SAYS "SINGLE FALSE STEP" BY US IN KOREA "MIGHT CASUE EXPLOSIVE RESULTS." ENUMERATES REASONS MOTIVATING PULLOUT, INCL "SEEMING ENDLESSNESS" KOREAN COMMITMENT/"REFLEXIVE FEAR" ANOTHER VN. GIVES MIL PURPOSES 2ND GROUND DIVISION/AF CONTINGENT. SAYS CARTER'S DECISION "STAND DOWN IN KOREA" OUGHT BE ADDRESSED TO TOKYO. TERMS "ABSURD" FACT MIGHTY WORLD ECON POWER SPENDS ABOUT 1 PCT GNP ON DEFENSE. CONCLUDES W/US POWER DECLINING IN PAC, AND W/US WILL "FLABBY AS SPAGHETTI," DEFENSELESS JAPAN WILL HAVE LITTLE SAY ABOUT KOREA'S FUTURE "WHEN THE NEXT ROUND BEGINS."

13. KOREA

ANDERSON/WHITTEN (WP) CLAIM ACCESS TO SOME TONGSUN PARK'S PAPERS, WHICH INDICATE HE WON'T RETURN US/HAS TRANSPLANTED BASE TO LONDON. CITE SOURCES FAMILIAR W/DOJ PROBE WHO SAY W/O PARK/USABLE TESTIMONY FROM KOREAN EMB DEFECTOR

KIM SANG KEUN, EFFORTS CONVICT ANY CONGRESSMAN ON BRIBERY CHARGES PROBABLY DOOMED. COLUMNISTS ADD THIS DOESN'T MEAN US PUBLIC WILL BE DEPRIVED OF "THREE-RING KOREAN CIRCUS," AS HOUSE HEARINGS, WHILE LACKING CONVICTIONS, EXPECTED SHOW "FLAGRANT BREACHES OF ETHICS."

14 SINGAPORE

AP STORY FROM SINGAPORE (NYT) REMARKS LATEST POLICE CAMPAIGN AGAINST COMMUNITY PROBLEM CALLED "OPERATION STICKUP"; OFFICERS SENT TO BUS DEPOTS AT NIGHT TO PASTE ROAD-SAFETY UNCLASSIFIED

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POSTERS ON 1,000 MUNICIPAL BUSES. CITES OTHER SUCH GOS CAMPAIGNS IN BIRTH CONTROL/ABORTIONS/WATER CONSERVATION/ MALES' HAIR LENGTH. CAMPAIGNS' SUCCESS ATRIBUTED TO NATL DISCIPLINE/"RUGGED-SOCIETY" POLICY PM LEE.

15. MARSHALL ISLANDS

GLOBE (4/17) WELCOMES US' ORGANIZING--IN CONSULTATION WITH COUNCIL OF ENIWETOK ISLANDERS AND MICRONESIA LEGAL SERVICES AGENCY--3-YR, 20-MILLION-DOL PROGRAM TO CLEAR ISLANDS OF DEBRIS/RESETTLE ATOLL'S INHABITANTS. SAYS PROJECT SHOULD PROVIDE SOME FASCINATING EXAMPLES OF ENVIRONMENTAL RECLAMATION; AND, MORE IMPORTANTLY, RESTORING ENIWETOK- ENEWETAK ISLANDERS TO LAND AND LAND TO THEM IS CLOSEST WE CAN COME TO PAYING OFF "DEBT OF EXPLOITATION."

16. INDOCHINA

SEN HATFIELD (R-ORE) IN LAT (4/17) DECRIES "CALCULATED NEGLECT" OF US POLICY TOWARD VN SUFFERING SINCE WAR'S END. NOTES WOODCOCK MISSION FOUND HANOI EAGER UNDERTAKE NORMAL RELS; CALLS NORMALIZATION KEY TO NEW US POSTURE IN ASIA, SINCE FAILURE NURTURE INDEPENDENCE WOULD PUSH VN FURTHER INTO USSR ORBIT. REVIEWS MIA/AID CLAIMS IN C-F. STATES FOR 2 YRS OBVIOUS SOLUTION TO MIA PROBLEM CAN ONLY COME THRU FORMAL DIPL TALKS; ADDS US SHOULD MOVE STEP-BY-STEP TOWARD NORMALIZATION, INCL OPENING COMML TRADE/DIPL RECOGNITION/ADMITTING VN INTO UN/HUMANITARIAN, AGRIC AID. ADMITS "REPARATIONS" ISSUE WILL BE MORE DIFFICULT RESOLVE. ADVISES SHOULD BE MADE CLEAR TO VN THAT STEPS TOWARD NORMALIZATION/DIRECT US AID ARE CONTINGENT ON COOPERATION IN MIA ACCOUNTING. CALLS HUMAN RTS SIGNIFICANT ISSUE IN VN; SAYS MUCH GOING ON IS OFFENSIVE TO US NOTIONS OF LIBERTY, BUT OBVIOUSLY MORE HUMANE THAN BRUTAL CAMBODIAN CLASS ELIMINATION. STATES IN ANY NEGOTS US SHOULD MAKE CLEAR TO VN THAT INTENDS RESPECT SOVEREIGNTY WHILE RESERVING UNCLASSIFIED

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DUTY SPEAK OUT WHENEVER HUMAN RTS VIOLATED. CONCLUDES OPPORTUNITY NOW EXISTS PUT VN WAR BEHIND US/CREAT NEW CLIMATE IN ASIA.

MCARTHUR (LAT 4/17) NOTES HANOI GIVING HINTS RE SVIETS IN RE-EDUCATION CAMPS. SAYS BROADCASTS/ARTICLES ON SUBJECT EVIDENTLY IN RESPONSE PRES' HUMAN RTS POLICIES/QUESTIONS RAISED BY FORMER ANTIWAR MILITANTS. STATES HINTS INDICATE ABOUT 110,000 IN RE-EDUCATION CAMPS, THO MANY OBSERVERS THINK FIGURE MUCH TOO LOW. POINTS OUT HANOI PUBLIC STATEMENTS ON SUBJECT IGNORE EXISTENCE SPECIAL CAMPS KNOWN TO CONTAIN "DIEHARDS" OF ALL RANKS. ADDS LOW FIGURES PROBABLY REFLECTS GOVT'S NEW POLICY OF CREATING MORE/SMALLER CAMPS SCATTERED AROUND COUNTRY.

17. TRADE

CHI S-T (4/15) ADVISES PRES REJECT PLEAS RAISE IMPORT BARRIER SINCE PROTECTIONISM HITS HARDER THAN IMPORTS BY FANNING INFLATION/SPURRING TRADE PARTNERS TO RETALIATE/ENDING IN RECESSION. SAYS SOLUTIONS MUST COME W/IN FREE-TRADE FRAMEWORK.

PRUGH (LAT 4/18) NOTES CONCERN SHOE INDUSTRY/WORKERS OVER IMPORTS. SEES SIMILAR PROBLEM IN TEXTILES/CLOTHING/TV SETS/SUGAR.

18. HUMAN RTS

KAISER (WP 4/16) REVIEWS ADMIN'S DILEMMA OVER HUMAN RTS ISSUE. NOTES ADMIN ADMITS SK STRATEGICALLY TOO IMPORTANT TO BE PUNISHED FOR TRANSGRESSIONS W/REDUCED MIL AID. SEES ADMIN STILL GROPING FOR DEFINITIONS OF "LOUDLY PROCLAIMED" HUMAN RTS POLICY.

GERGAN (WSTAR 4/17) OPINES TOO EARLY TO SAY HOW ADMIN
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CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN RTS WILL AFFECT FUTURE. DISPELS "SOME OF MORE POPULAR MYTHS" ABOUT PAST, INCL 1 THAT QUIETER APPROACH OF NIXON/FORD ADMINS WAS FAILURE; OTHER THAT US DIPLOMACY OVER PAST 8 YRS HAS BEEN INDIFFERENT/OBTUSE TOWARD MORAL QUESTIONS.

WP SPEC NOTES UN HUMAN RTS COMMISSION KEY OBSTACLE IN

PRES CARTER'S ATTEMPT INTERNATIONALIZE ACTIVIST HUMAN RTS POLICY. ADDS ALMOST 3/4 OF 32 NATIONS CHARGED W/TRYING IMPROVE HUMAN RTS CONDITIONS IN WORLD ARE THEMSELVES ACCUSED VIOLATING RTS OF OWN CITIZENS.

19. GENERAL

CSM REVIEWS PRES' NEW AMB APPOINTMENTS. NOTES ATLANTA LAWYER PHILIP ALSTON JR NAMED FOR AUSTRALIA; MENTIONS IN PAST AUSTRALIA IRRITATED BY US' HABIT "PALMING OFF" NON-PROFESSIONAL/POORLY QUALIFIED ENVOYS ON CANBERRA. CALLS AUSTRALIA KEY NATION IN PAC; OPINES DESERVES MORE THAN "THROWAWAY" APPOINTMENT; SAYS UP TO MR ALSTON TO SHOW THIS NOT CASE AGAIN. APPROVES SELECTION EX-SEN MANSFIELD FOR JAPAN. STATES PEKING WILL BE IMPORTANT SLOT TO FILL; RECOMMENDS EITHER ABLE PROFESSIONAL, SUCH AS MARSHALL GREEN, OR DISTINGUISHED NONCAREER FIGURE, AS LEONARD WOODCOCK. ADDS PRC HAS BEEN DIFFICULT PLACE TO BE SINCE PEKING/HAK GAVE ENVOY LITTLE ROOM TO MANEUVER; HOPES PRES CARTER WILL EXPECT NEW AMB HAVE GREATER ACCESS PRC OFFICIALS.

20. NUCLEAR POLICY

CHITRIB NOTES DEVELOPING COUNTRIES EAGER SEE WORLD SUPPLY FISSIONABLE MATERIAL ENHANCED FOR THEIR POSSIBLE ENERGY SALVATION, AND THUS AGREEMENTS CARTER ATTEMPTING NEGOTIATE DIFFICULT. URGED PRES BE GIVEN TIME/ENCOURAGEMENT. ADDS EVEN IF HE FAILS, IS "IRRATIONAL" ASSUME FEW MONTHS/YR DELAY FAST-BREEDER DEVELOPMENT IN US WILL RISK "ENERGY UNCLASSIFIED

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STARVATION"--AS NUKE POWER INDUSTRY "WOULD HAVE ONE BELIEVE."

YERGIN (PHINQ) STATES USG "RIGHTLY SAYING" THAT CLOSE LINKAGE BETW NUKE POWER/ATOMIC WEAPONRY CAN NO LONGER BE IGNORED. TERMS CARTER'S STAND AGAINST REPROCESSING "NECESSARY" AND "MOMENTOUS" IN NUKE POWER HISTORY. BELIEVES STAND PUTS GREAT DEAL "INDIRECT PRESSURE" ON PRO-PLUTONIUM ADVOCATES IN OTHER NATIONS; AT SAME TIME, SHOWS US REALLY FORSWEARING "PLUTONIUM PATH"/SERIOUSNESS US' ANTI-PROLIFERATION STAND.

LAT'S CONINE (4/18) LAUDS CARTER POSITION AGAINST REPROCESSING, BUT STATES PRES MUST MAKE CONVINCING CASE THAT PLUTONIUM'S DANGERS CAN BE AVOIDED W/O REQUIRING ANY NATION ACT AGAINST ITS FUNDAMENTAL ECON INTEREST. STATES "FORTUNATELY," SCIENTIFIC FACTS ON CARTER'S SIDE. CONCLUDES IF ADMIN MOVES QUICKLY TO INITIATE PROJECTS DEMONSTRATING FEASIBILITY NON-PLUTONIUM ALTERNATIVES, "THIS COULD STILL

BE A CASE OF BETTER LATE THAN NEVER."

FRONT-PG LAT ITEM (4/17) NOTES INTL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY
OFFICIALS BELIEVE CARTER POLICY CANNOT SUCCEED/SAY NOT
SINGLE EXPORTER NUKE TECHNOLOGY INDICATES SUPPORT. IAEA
DIRECTOR GENRL SAYS PRES' POLICY COULD HAVE "VERY SERIOUS
CONSEQUENCES"/COULD DISRUPT ATMOSPHERE MUTUAL TRUST, CON-
FIDENCE BUILT UP OVER LAST 25 YRS. ANOTHER IAEA OFFICIAL
SAYS POLICY "HAS NO CHANCE" ACCEPTANCE/SUCCEEDING W/REST
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